

GEOTECHNICAL INVESTIGATION

**PROVO CITY  
MUNICIPAL AIRPORT  
ATCT NEW EQUIPMENT  
BUILDING AND RTR ANTENNA  
FOUNDATIONS**

Provo, Utah

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Re: Provo City Municipal Airport  
ATCT New Equipment Building and RTR Antenna Foundations

Dear Mr. Smith:

A Geotechnical Investigation has been completed for the proposed ATCT New Equipment Building and RTR Antenna Foundations to be located at the Provo City Municipal Airport in Provo, Utah. The results of the study are summarized in the report transmitted herewith.

We appreciate the opportunity of providing this service for you. If there are any questions relating to the information contained herein, please call.

Sincerely,

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**INTRODUCTION**

This report outlines the results of a geotechnical investigation performed for the proposed ATCT New Equipment Building and RTR Antenna Foundations to be located south of the Air Traffic Control Tower at the Provo Municipal Airport in Provo, Utah.

We understand that the new equipment building will be a steel pre-fabricated structure approximately 20 feet wide and 22 feet long with a weight of about 20 kips. Equipment racks with loads up to 20 kips, and a 5 kip battery rack will result in floor loading of about 70 psf. We also understand that the two identical RTR tilt-down antennas will be supported using 36 inch diameter drilled pier foundations.

RB&G Engineering performed a geotechnical investigation for the Air Traffic Control Tower in August 2003, and information obtained during that study will be utilized in preparation of this report, where applicable.

The purpose of this investigation was to determine the characteristics of the subsurface material throughout the site so that satisfactory substructures can be designed to support the proposed facilities. The results of the investigation, along with pertinent recommendations for foundation design, are outlined in the following sections of this report.

The information contained in the report is discussed under the following headings: (1) Geological and Existing Site Conditions, (2) Field and Laboratory Testing Procedures, (3) Subsurface Soil and Water Conditions, (4) Foundation Considerations and Recommendations, and (5) Site Preparation and Compacted Fill Requirements.

## **I. GEOLOGICAL AND EXISTING SITE CONDITIONS**

The Provo Municipal Airport is located at the extreme southwest end of Provo City adjacent to Utah Lake. The natural soils throughout the area consist predominantly of post Lake Bonneville Lacustrine marsh and alluvial deposits. Granular fill has been placed throughout the airport development to provide a stable subgrade. The Lincoln Point Fault has been identified approximately 3.5 miles west of the airport beneath Utah Lake, and the Wasatch Fault is located approximately 5 miles east of the airport, near the base of the Wasatch Mountain Range. Utah County Natural hazards maps identify this area as having high liquefaction potential.

Granular fill has been used to provide a raised platform for the Air Traffic Control Tower. The granular fill slopes downward several feet from the tower site at a rate of about 10% to the natural ground surface, which is at about elevation 4491 feet.

Utah Lake is located a short distance west of the site, with a levee between the site and the lake. At the time of the field investigation, the lake level was at 4489.5 feet msl. The lake reached an elevation of about 4492 feet during the 1980's.

The groundwater level is influenced by the water level in Utah Lake, seasonal precipitation, and irrigation practices in the general area. The control tower is supported on deep pile foundations extending to about elevation 4395 feet. Most structures at the Provo Airport have been supported using spread foundations on compacted sandy gravel. Foundation performance for buildings in the immediate vicinity of the site appears to have been adequate, in that no apparent cracks were observed in the foundation walls. Other than the information provided above, no conditions appear to exist at this site which would adversely affect foundation performance.

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## **II. FIELD AND LABORATORY TESTING PROCEDURES**

The subsurface investigation was performed using a CME 55 rotary drill rig with a tri-cone rock bit and NW casing to advance the boring and water as the drilling fluid. During the subsurface investigation, sampling was generally performed at one- to three-foot intervals in the upper 15 feet of the soil profile and at five-foot intervals thereafter. Both disturbed and undisturbed samples were obtained during the field investigations. Disturbed samples were obtained by

driving a 2-inch split spoon sampling tube through a distance of 18 inches using a 140-pound weight dropped from a height of 30 inches. The number of blows required to drive the sampling spoon through each 6 inches of penetration is shown on the boring logs. The sum of the last two blow counts, which represents the number of blows to drive the sampling spoon through 12 inches, is defined as the standard penetration value. The standard penetration value, corrected for overburden and hammer energy, provides a good indication of the in-place density of sandy material; however, it only provides an indication of the relative stiffness of the cohesive material, since the penetration resistance of materials of this type is a function of the moisture content. Considerable care must be exercised in interpreting the standard penetration value in gravelly-type soils, particularly where the size of the granular particle exceeds the inside diameter of the sampling spoon. If the spoon can be driven through the full 18 inches with a reasonable core recovery, the standard penetration value provides a good indication of the in-place density of gravelly-type material.

Undisturbed samples were obtained at select locations by pushing a thin-walled sampling tube into the subsurface material using the hydraulic pressure on the drill rig. The location at which the undisturbed samples were obtained is shown on the boring logs.

Miniature vane shear tests, which provide an indication of the undrained shearing strength of cohesive materials, were performed on samples of the clay soil during the field investigations. The results of these tests are shown on the boring logs as the torvane value in tsf.

Each sample obtained in the field was classified in the laboratory according to the Modified Unified Soil Classification System. The symbol designating the soil type according to this system, is presented on the boring logs. A description of the Modified Unified Soil Classification System is presented in the appendix, and the meaning of the various symbols, shown on the logs, can be obtained from this figure.

Laboratory tests performed during this investigation to define the characteristics of the subsurface material throughout the proposed site included in-place dry unit weight, natural moisture content, unconfined compressive strength, Atterberg Limits, mechanical analyses, pH, resistivity, sulfate, chloride, and consolidation tests. Testing was performed following procedures outlined in the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) standards.

### III. SUBSURFACE SOIL AND WATER CONDITIONS

The characteristics of the subsurface material were evaluated using the deep boring drilled for the control tower in 2003 (03-1) and by drilling one boring to a depth of 36.5 feet and two borings to 31.5 feet during this investigation at the approximate locations shown in Figure 2. The logs for the borings are presented in the appendix.

It will be noted from the 2011 borings that granular fill was encountered in each of the borings varying in thickness from 2 to 5 feet. The fill is underlain by firm to soft cohesive soils with occasional sand layers extending to depths of between 22 and 29 feet below the ground surface, followed by loose to medium dense silty sand to the bottom of the borings at 31 to 36 feet. The deep boring encountered interbedded layers of lean clay, silty sand and sandy silt with occasional fat clay layers. Dense silty sand was encountered below a depth of about 90 feet.

Groundwater was encountered at a depth of between 6 and 8 feet below the existing ground surface at the time the field investigation was performed (April 2011). The depth correlates to about elevation 4489.5 feet.

The results of classification, density and moisture tests are presented on the boring logs, and the results of all laboratory tests, with exception of the consolidation tests, are summarized in Table 1, Summary of Test Data in the appendix. It will be noted from Table 1 that the cohesive soil had an in-place dry unit weight ranging from 62.1 to 90.1 pcf, a natural moisture content varying from 24.8 to 73.3%. The unconfined compressive strength of the cohesive soil ranged from 480 to 1803 psf, with an average of 989 psf. The lean clay had a liquid limit of 35 to 49 and a plasticity index of 14 to 26. The fat clay and elastic silt had a liquid limit of 62 to 67 and a plasticity index of 31 to 40. The silty sand had 0% gravel size particles, 75 to 79% sand, and 21 to 25% non-plastic silt.

The compressibility characteristics of the subsurface material were evaluated by performing two consolidation tests on samples obtained from Boring 11-3 at depths of 6 to 7.5 feet and 15 to 16.5 feet. The results of these tests are also presented in the appendix.

During performance of the consolidation tests, each sample was permitted to absorb water at the beginning of the test to determine the effect of moisture on the compressibility characteristics of these materials. Expansive soils always experience an increase in void ratio on absorbing water. It will be observed from these tests that no increase in the void ratio occurred as the sample

absorbed moisture. It is concluded from the consolidation and classification tests that the subsurface materials at this site do not have expansive characteristics. The cohesive soils, in general, have relatively high compressibility characteristics for load intensities greater than 1tsf.

In order to obtain an indication of the corrosive nature of the subsurface material at this site, resistivity, pH, sulfate, and chloride tests were performed on samples obtained from Boring 11-1 at 0 to 1.5 feet, 11-2 at 6 to 7.5 feet, and Boring 11-3 at 3 to 4.5 feet. Results of pH and resistivity tests are presented in Table 1, Summary of test data in the Appendix, and it will be noted that these soils have a pH of 7.9 to 8.5 and a resistivity ranging from 120 to 3800 ohm cm. The chloride and sulfate test results will be submitted in an addendum upon completion. The near surface native soils have low resistivity and are considered to have poor corrosion resistance. Testing performed on surface cohesive layers at other locations at the airport has shown low percentages of water soluble sulfate. It is recommended, however, that Type II cement be used for concrete in contact with the native soils due to its increased resistance to sulfate attack.

## **IV. FOUNDATION CONSIDERATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

### **A. FOUNDATION TYPES AND BEARING CAPACITIES**

As indicated earlier in this report, we understand that the new equipment building will be a steel pre-fabricated structure approximately 20 feet wide and 22 feet long with a weight of about 20 kips. Equipment racks with loads up to 20 kips, and a 5 kip battery rack will result in floor loading of about 70 psf. We also understand that the two identical RTR tilt-down antennas will be supported using 36 inch diameter drilled pier foundations.

#### ***1. Equipment Building***

It appears that up to 2.5 feet of fill will be required to establish final grade for the new equipment building. If final design results in raising the building site more than 3 feet, it is requested that we be notified so settlement associated with large area loads can be evaluated.

#### **Spread Footings on Compacted Fill**

It is our opinion that the equipment building can be supported using spread footings on compacted fill provided that post-earthquake settlement following the design seismic event, as described in a subsequent section, can be tolerated. It is



recommended that foundations extend to a depth of 2.5 feet below final grade to provide frost protection. The density of the existing fill appears to vary throughout the site. It is recommended, therefore, that all footing areas be over-excavated to a depth of 2 feet below the footing level. The width of the excavations should extend 1 foot beyond the footing perimeter. The on-site granular fill can be used as structural fill, provided that it is placed in lifts not exceeding 8 inches in thickness and compacted to an in-place unit weight equal to at least 95% of the maximum laboratory density as determined by ASTM D 1557. We recommend that imported fill, if required, consist of relatively well-graded sandy gravel having a maximum size of 3 inches with 5 to 15% passing the No. 200 sieve. The imported fill should meet the compaction requirements outlined above for the on-site material.

If the above recommendations are complied with, footings can be designed using the allowable bearing capacity shown below, except that in no case should the width of any footing be less than 2 feet.

| FOOTING WIDTH<br>(ft) | ALLOWABLE BEARING<br>CAPACITY (psf) |                  |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------|
|                       | CONTINUOUS<br>FOOTINGS              | SPOT<br>FOOTINGS |
| 2                     | 1600                                | 3200             |
| 3                     | 1330                                | 2200             |
| 4                     | 1200                                | 1800             |

If the foundations for the proposed facility are designed in accordance with the recommendations outlined above, the maximum settlement of any footing should not exceed one inch and differential settlement throughout the structure should not exceed 0.5 inch under non-seismic loading.

### Deep Foundations

If the structure cannot tolerate the estimated settlement associated with liquefaction during the design seismic event, we recommend supporting the structure on deep foundations. Due to the high groundwater level and potential for artesian conditions, it is recommended that driven piles, in lieu of drilled shafts, be used for deep foundation support. The control tower is supported on deep pile foundations and the pile design for the tower is applicable to this site. The following recommendations were obtained from the 2003 control tower report.

*Pile capacity analyses have been completed for axial compression loading. The analyses were performed using the FHWA program SPILE, with no skin resistance assumed through the layers of potential liquefaction. The axial compressive single pile capacities for 12, 14 and 16 inch diameter closed end pipe piles extending to elevation 4395 feet are shown in the following table:*

| PILE DIAMETER (in) | PILE TIP ELEV. (ft) | APPROX. PILE LENGTH (ft) | SKIN RESISTANCE (kips) | END BEARING (kips) | TOTAL CAPACITY (kips) | ALLOWABLE CAPACITY (kips)<br>USING A FACTOR OF SAFETY OF 3.0 |
|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|--|
| 12.75              | 4395                | 91                       | 141                    | 80                 | 221                   | 73   |
| 14                 | 4395                | 91                       | 164                    | 97                 | 261                   | 87   |
| 16                 | 4395                | 91                       | 206                    | 126                | 332                   | 110  |

*It is recommended that the closed end piles be filled with concrete. Pipe with wall thickness thinner than 3/8 inch should not be used due to the driving resistance of the medium dense to dense sand layers. For spacing of at least 3 pile diameters, no compressive group reduction factor is required. Taking the sum of the skin friction on the piles in the group and applying a factor of safety of 3 can approximate the allowable uplift capacity of the pile group. Once the group is determined, this value should be compared to the block action and the lesser value used.*

*It is recommended that the steel pipe pile thickness be reduced by 1/16 inch during design analyses to account for anticipated corrosion of the steel during the life of the structure.*

*The test boring identified the soil profile to consist of dense to very dense sand from 4395 feet to 4390 feet. Since the ultimate skin resistance is greater than the allowable capacity, the induced load from end bearing should be relatively small, and settlement of the piles should be less than 0.5 inch.*

### **Floor Slabs**

We recommend that at least one foot of granular fill and a free-draining granular layer be placed beneath all floor slabs. The free-draining granular layer should be at least 4 inches thick and should have a maximum size less than 1 inch and not more than 5% passing a 200 sieve. The free-draining material should be densified using at least 4 passes of a smooth drum 5-ton vibratory roller or equivalent. If the above specifications are followed, the granular layer will prevent the accumulation of moisture beneath the floor slab and will also serve adequately as a base beneath the

floor slabs. Where moisture sensitive flooring, such as tile flooring systems, is planned, it is recommended that a vapor retarder/barrier be placed directly beneath the concrete floor, in lieu of the free-draining granular layer. It is recommended that the vapor barrier conform to ASTM E 1745 Class A requirements. A subgrade modulus of 150 pci can be used for design.

## **2. RTR Antenna Foundations**

Axial compressive resistance and axial uplift resistance have been determined as a function of depth for 2.0, 2.5, and 3.0 foot diameter drilled shafts. The results are included in Figures 3 and 4. Note that these charts use the AASHTO LRFD approach to evaluate Strength Resistance. If the designers are using the ASD method, a factor of safety of 3 should be applied to the nominal resistance shown on the figures to obtain allowable resistance capacities. It is recommended that a lateral bearing pressure of 100 psf/ft be used for the native soils to evaluate lateral capacity.

It is recommended that temporary casing be used to construct the shafts. The design of rebar and concrete should follow established guidelines. If the foundation recommendations presented above are complied with, the maximum settlement of any shaft should not exceed one inch. If this option is used, it is recommended that inspection of the shaft excavations be made by the soils engineer prior to placement of concrete.

## **B. SEISMIC CONSIDERATIONS**

Due to the liquefiable layers within the soil profile, the site is classified as Site Class F, as per Section 1613 of the 2009 International Building Code. The site is located at latitude 40.2161 North and longitude 111.7267 West. Probabilistic peak ground acceleration (PGA) values are tabulated below:

| Probabilistic ground motion values in %g. |                       |                      |                      |
|---|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
|   | <u>10%PE in 50 yr</u> | <u>5%PE in 50 yr</u> | <u>2%PE in 50 yr</u> |
| PGA                                       | 17.16                 | 26.31                | 43.81                |
| 0.2 sec SA                                | 39.27                 | 60.20                | 109.91               |
| 0.3 sec SA                                | 35.35                 | 55.76                | 105.44               |
| 1.0 sec SA                                | 12.23                 | 20.34                | 41.23                |

In addition to the probabilistic seismic evaluation, a site specific deterministic analysis for this site was also performed. The analysis shows the Provo segment of the Wasatch Fault (located about 8 km east of the site) to be capable of generating an earthquake having a magnitude of 7.4 to 7.5, with peak ground accelerations at the site on the order of 0.49g.

Liquefaction of the loose silty sand and sandy silt layers will have an effect on the spectral response acceleration at the 1-Second Period. It is recommended that the site coefficients presented in Table 1613.5.3 (1) of the IBC be increased by 15% over the values presented for Site Class E.

The allowable soil bearing pressure indicated above may be increased by one-third where seismic forces are involved in the structural loads. If the frictional resistance of the footings and floor slabs are used to resist seismic forces, we recommend a coefficient of friction of 0.40 be used to calculate these forces. See Section C below for recommendations related to resistance provided by passive earth pressures.

A liquefaction analysis has been performed for the site assuming a seismic event having an acceleration of 0.33g, which is 2/3's of the MCE, which has a probability of exceedence of 2% in 50 years. The results of the analysis indicate that the silty sand layers between 18.5 and 20.5, 23 and 28, and 33 and 40 feet will liquefy during the design seismic event. A sufficient thickness of non-liquefiable soil exists to prevent a surface rupture during the design event. Liquefaction will result in strain related settlement. Up to 3 inches of settlement has been computed for the seismic event.

The effects of the liquefaction will be partially mitigated by the thickness of non-liquefiable soils beneath the structures; however, it is anticipated that up to ¾ inch of differential settlement may occur across the building site.

## C. LATERAL EARTH PRESSURES

It is not anticipated that earth-retaining structures will be required for the proposed facilities. If earth-retaining structures are required, however, and if backfilling is performed using granular material, and if the backfill behind the wall is horizontal, we recommend that the earth pressures be calculated using the following equation, along with the earth pressure coefficient outlined below:

$$P = \frac{1}{2} \gamma K H^2$$

|       |          |   |                                      |
|-------|----------|---|--------------------------------------|
| Where | $P$      | = | total lateral force on wall, plf     |
|       | $K$      | = | earth pressure coefficient           |
|       | $\gamma$ | = | unit weight of soil (125 pcf)        |
|       | $H$      | = | height of retained soil against wall |

The earth pressure coefficient used in designing the walls will depend upon whether the wall is free to move during backfilling operations, or whether the wall is restrained during backfilling. If the wall is free to move during backfilling operations and the backfill material is granular soil, we recommend an active earth pressure coefficient of 0.30 be used in the above equation to calculate the lateral earth pressures. If the walls are restrained from any movement during backfilling and the backfill material is granular soil, we recommend an at-rest earth pressure coefficient of 0.45 be used to calculate the lateral earth pressure.

The additional active earth pressure due to ground acceleration equal to 2/3's of the MCE may be estimated using a coefficient of 0.18. The seismic ground motion will reduce the available passive resistance. This reduction may be accounted for as an earth pressure acting in the direction opposite the passive resistance, and computed using a coefficient of 0.50. The pressure diagrams for these forces may be roughly approximated as inverted triangles, such that the resultant forces of the seismic components act at heights of approximately 2H/3 above the base of the wall.

For non-yielding walls, the increase in earth pressure corresponding to the seismic event may be estimated using the equation  $P_{EQ} = a_h \gamma H^2$ , where  $a_h$  is a seismic coefficient of 0.32. This force is in addition to the at-rest pressure, and acts at a height of about 0.53H above the base of the wall.

It should be recognized that the pressures calculated by the above equation are earth pressures only and do not include hydrostatic pressures. Where hydrostatic pressures may exist behind a retaining structure, we recommend either the wall be designed to resist hydrostatic pressure, or that a drainage system be placed behind the wall to prevent the development of hydrostatic pressures.

## **V. SITE PREPARATION AND COMPACTED FILL REQUIREMENTS**

The vegetative cover throughout the building site consists of sparse grass and weeds. We recommend that the upper 4 inches be stripped from the area to remove the excess organic matter in the upper portion of the soil profile.

We recommend that imported fill used to establish final grade throughout the site consist of granular soil having a maximum size of 4 inches with less than 30% passing a No. 200 sieve. We recommend that the material passing a No. 200 sieve have a plasticity index less than 6. The fill

should be compacted to an in-place density equal to at least 92% of the maximum density as determined by ASTM D 1557. Structural fill beneath foundations should meet requirements outlined in Section IV.A.

Grading around the structure should be performed in such a manner that all surface water will flow freely from the area and that no ponding will occur adjacent to the structure which will permit deep percolation into the foundation area. Roof drains should extend well beyond the building lines to prevent seepage into the foundation soils.

Backfilling around foundation walls should be performed using granular material densified to an in-place unit weight equal to at least 90% of the maximum laboratory density indicated above.

## **VI. LIMITATIONS**

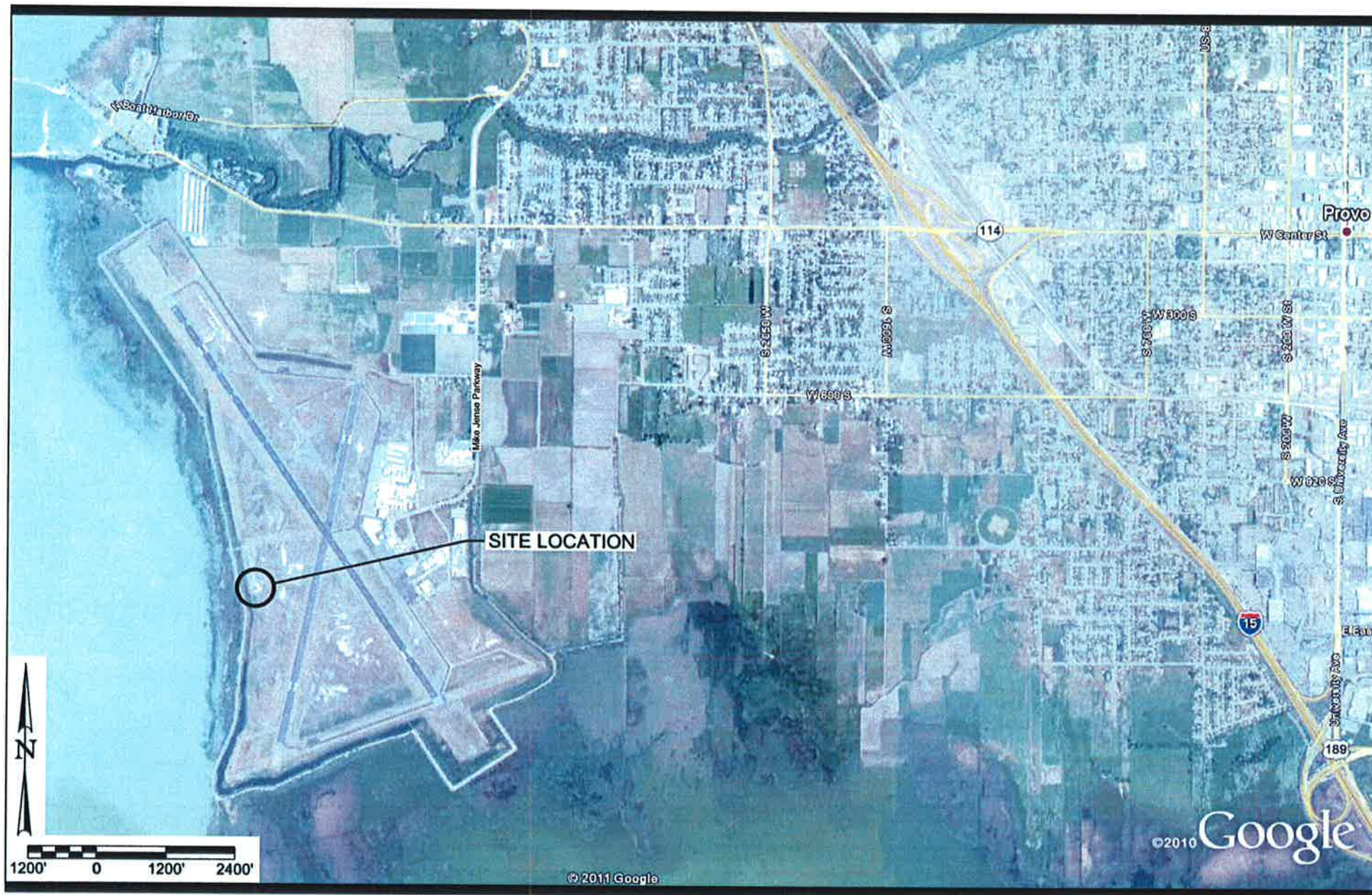
The conclusions and recommendations presented in this report are based upon the results of the field and laboratory tests which, in our opinion, define the characteristics of the subsurface material throughout the site in a satisfactory manner. It should be recognized that soil materials are inherently heterogeneous and that conditions may exist throughout this site which could not be defined during this investigation. Since the bearing capacity for foundation design is dependent upon adequate compaction of imported fill, it is requested that testing of the fill be performed under the direct supervision of the soils engineer.

If during construction, conditions are encountered which appear to be different than those presented in this report, it is requested that we be advised in order that appropriate action may be taken.

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Figure 1 VICINITY MAP

*Provo City Municipal Airport ATCT New Equipment Building & RTR Antenna Foundations  
Provo, Utah County, Utah*



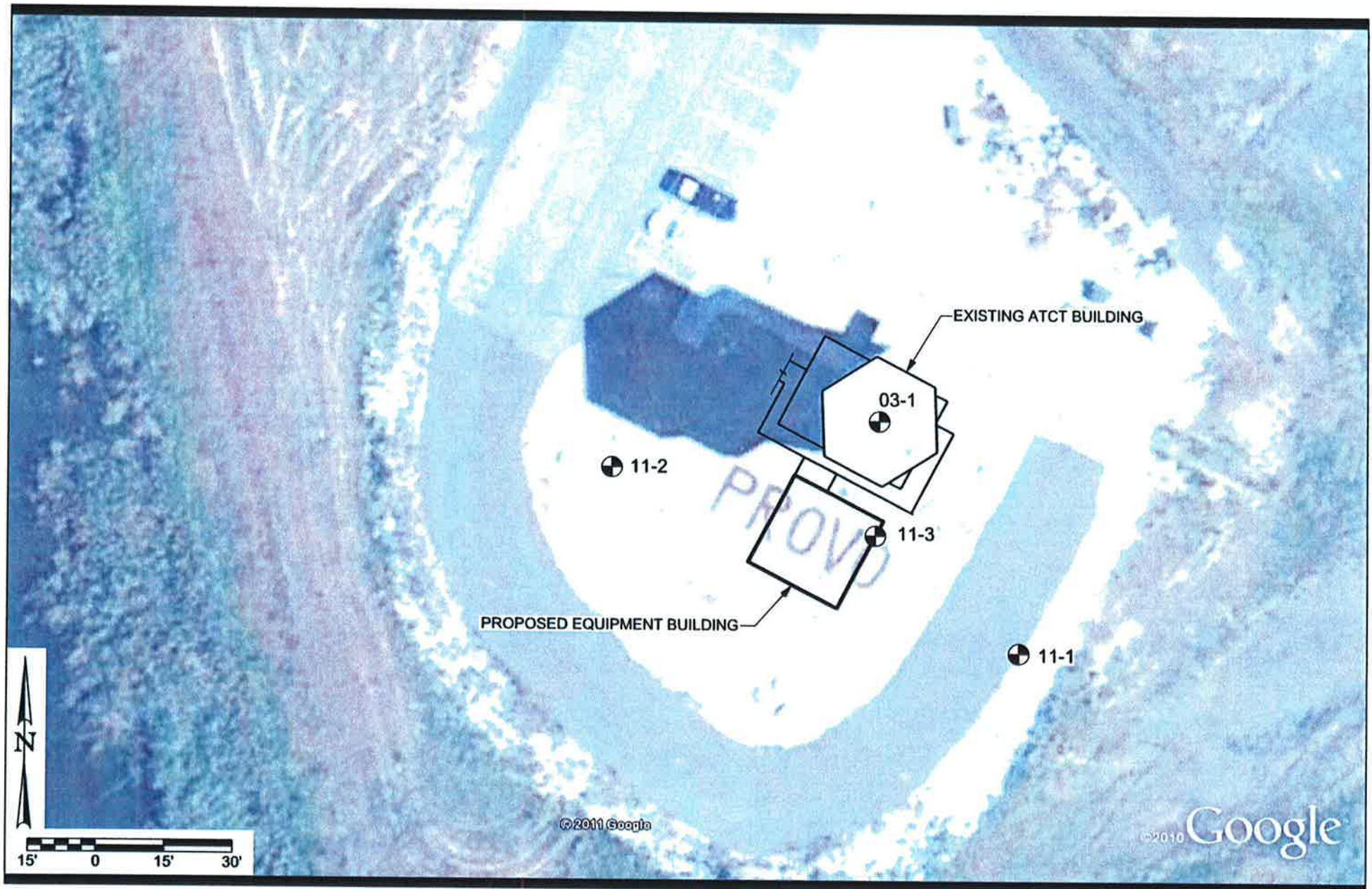


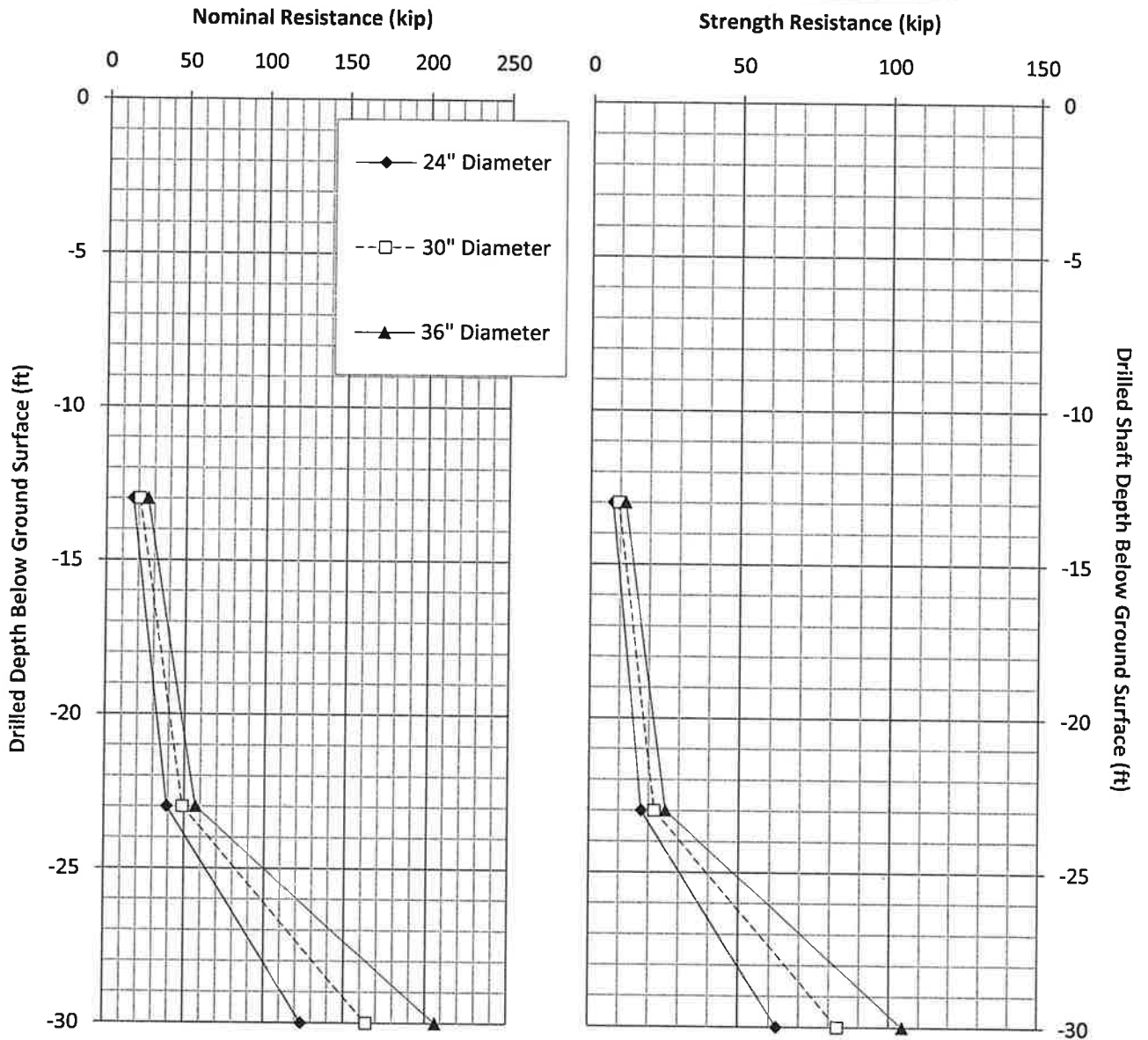
Figure 2 SITE PLAN & TEST HOLE LOCATIONS

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## DRILLED SHAFT AXIAL RESISTANCE SUMMARY

Provo City Mun. Airport ATCT New Equip. Bldg

| Toe   | Axial Compression Resistance (kip) |          |              |          |              |          |
|-------|------------------------------------|----------|--------------|----------|--------------|----------|
| Depth | 24" Diameter                       |          | 30" Diameter |          | 36" Diameter |          |
| (ft)  | Nominal                            | Strength | Nominal      | Strength | Nominal      | Strength |
| -13   | 17                                 | 7        | 21           | 9        | 26           | 12       |
| -23   | 39                                 | 18       | 49           | 22       | 57           | 26       |
| -30   | 124                                | 63       | 164          | 83       | 206          | 104      |



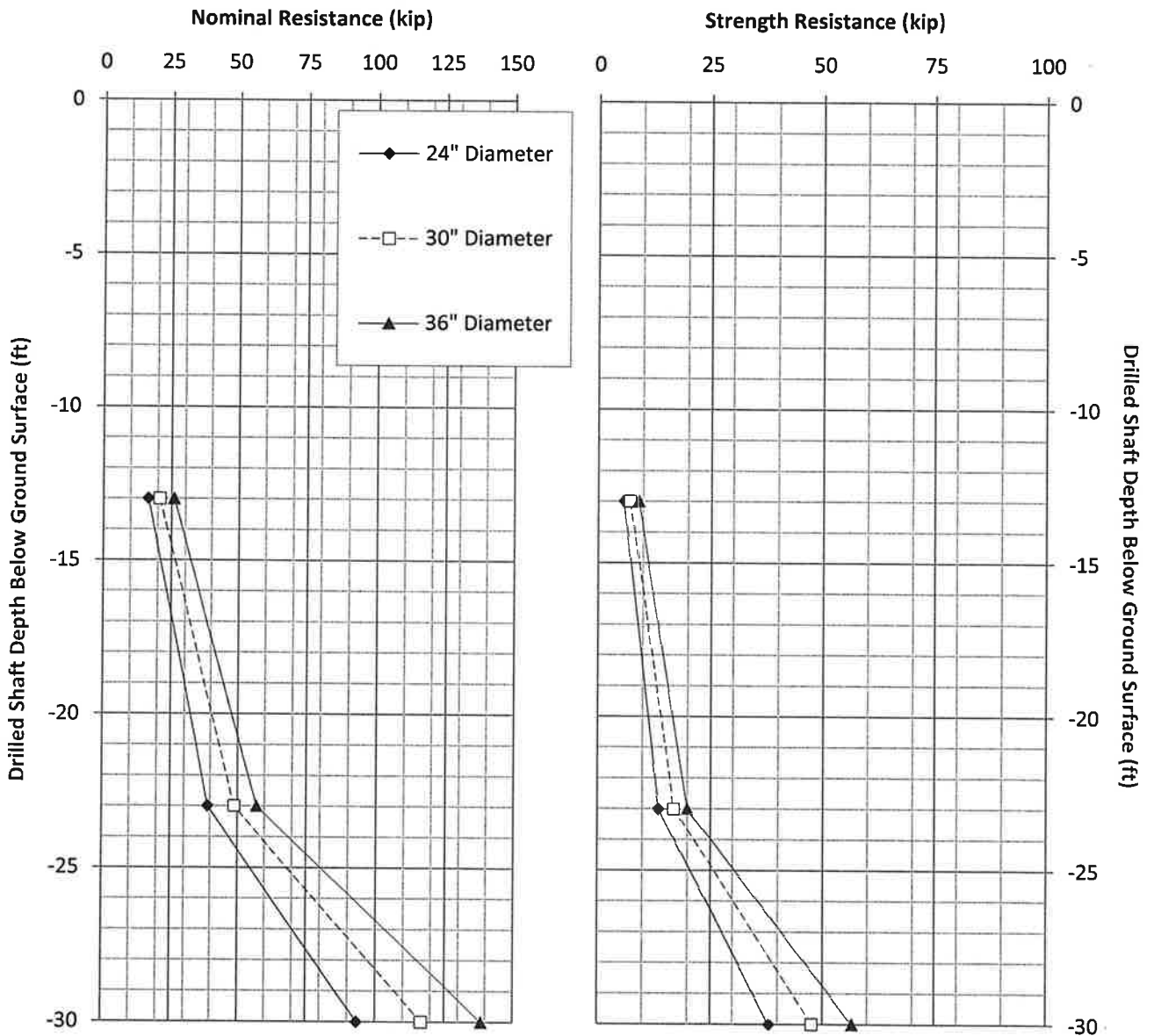
- Notes: 1. Reduce these values by 20 percent if shaft is a nonredundant foundation (see AASHTO LRFD 10.5.5.2.4).  
 2. For shafts spaced less than 4 diameters on centers, apply  $\eta$  factor from AASHTO LRFD 10.8.3.6.3.

FIGURE 3

## DRILLED SHAFT UPLIFT RESISTANCE

Provo City Mun. Airport ATCT New Equip. Bldg

| Toe Elev (ft) | Axial Uplift Resistance (kip) |          |              |          |              |          |  |  |
|---------------|-------------------------------|----------|--------------|----------|--------------|----------|--|--|
|               | 24" Diameter                  |          | 30" Diameter |          | 36" Diameter |          |  |  |
|               | Nominal                       | Strength | Nominal      | Strength | Nominal      | Strength |  |  |
| -13           | 17                            | 6        | 21           | 7        | 26           | 9        |  |  |
| -23           | 39                            | 14       | 49           | 17       | 57           | 20       |  |  |
| -30           | 93                            | 38       | 117          | 48       | 138          | 57       |  |  |



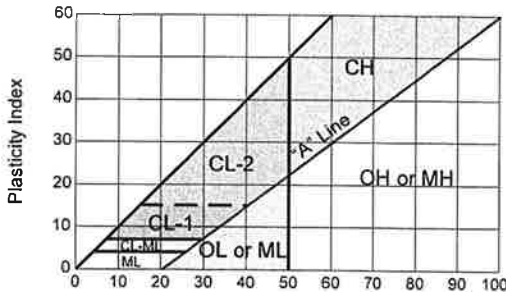
- Notes:
1. For extreme event uplift resistance, multiply nominal uplift resistance by resistance factor of 0.80.
  2. Further reduce factored resistance by 20 percent if shaft is a nonredundant foundation.
  3. Group uplift resistance for shafts spaced at less than four diameters on centers should be evaluated by the geotechnical engineer on a case-by-case basis.

FIGURE 4





# Unified Soil Classification System

| Major Divisions   |  |   | Group Symbols |  | Typical Names   | Laboratory Classification Criteria   |   |  |  |  |
|---|--|---|---------------|--|---|--|---|--|--|--|
| COARSE-GRAINED SOILS<br><br>more than half of material is larger than No. 200 sieve | Gravels<br><br>more than half of coarse fraction is larger than No. 4 sieve size | Clean Gravels<br><br>little or no fines               | GW            |  | Well graded gravels, gravel-sand mixtures, little or no fines   | For laboratory classification of coarse-grained soils<br><br>Determine percentage of gravel and sand from grain-size curve.<br><br>Depending on percentage of fines (fraction smaller than No. 200 sieve size), coarse-grained soils are classified as follows:<br><br>Less than 5% GW, GP, SW, SP<br><br>More than 12% GM, GC, SM, SC<br><br>5% to 12% Borderline cases requiring use of dual symbols** | $C_u = \frac{D_{60}}{D_{10}}$ Greater than 4<br>$C_c = \frac{(D_{30})^2}{D_{10} \times D_{60}}$ Between 1 and 3 |  |  |  |
|   |  |   | GP            |  | Poorly graded gravels, gravel-sand mixtures, little or no fines   |  | Not meeting all gradation requirements for GW   |  |  |  |
|   |  | Gravels With Fines<br><br>appreciable amount of fines | GM*           | d  | Silty gravels, poorly graded gravel-sand-silt mixtures  |  | Atterberg limits below "A" line, or PI less than 4  | Above "A" line with PI between 4 and 7 are borderline cases requiring uses of dual symbols |  |  |
|   |  |   |               | u  |   |  |   |  |  |  |
|   | Sands<br><br>more than half of coarse fraction is smaller than No. 4 sieve size  | Clean Sands<br><br>little or no fines                 | SW            |  | Well graded sands, gravelly sands, little or no fines   |  | $C_u = \frac{D_{60}}{D_{10}}$ Greater than 6<br>$C_c = \frac{(D_{30})^2}{D_{10} \times D_{60}}$ Between 1 and 3 |  |  |  |
|   |  |   | SP            |  | Poorly graded sands, gravelly sands, little or no fines   |  |   | Not meeting all gradation requirements for SW  |  |  |
|   |  | Sands with Fines<br><br>appreciable amount of fines   | SM*           | d  | Silty sands, poorly graded sand-silt mixtures   |  |   | Atterberg limits below "A" line, or PI less than 4   | Above "A" line with PI between 4 and 7 are borderline cases requiring uses of dual symbols |  |
|   |  |   |               | u  |   |  |   |  |  |  |
|   |  |   | SC            |  | Clayey sands, poorly graded sand-clay mixtures  |  |   | Atterberg limits above "A" line, or PI greater   |  |  |
|   |  |   |               |  |   |  |   |  |  |  |
| FINE-GRAINED SOILS<br><br>more than half of material is smaller than No. 200 sieve  | Silts and Clays<br><br>liquid limit is less than 50                              | ML  |               | Inorganic silts and very fine sands, rock flour, silty or clayey fine sands or clayey silts with slight plasticity | For laboratory classification of fine-grained soils<br><br><br><b>Plasticity Chart</b><br><br>NOTE: USCS Modified to include CL-type subcategories |  |   |  |  |  |
|   |  | CL  | 1             | Inorganic clays of low to medium plasticity, gravelly clays, sandy clays, silty clays, lean clays                  |   |  |   |  |  |  |
|   |  |   | 2             |  |   |  |   |  |  |  |
|   |  | OL  |               | Organic silts and organic silt-clays of low plasticity   |   |  |   |  |  |  |
|   | Silts and Clays<br><br>liquid limit is greater than 50                           | MH  |               | Inorganic silts, micaceous or diatomaceous fine sandy or silty soils, elastic silts                                |   |  |   |  |  |  |
|   |  | CH  |               | Inorganic clays of high plasticity, fat clays  |   |  |   |  |  |  |
|   |  | OH  |               | Organic clays of medium to high plasticity, organic silts  |   |  |   |  |  |  |
|   |  |   |               |  |   |  |   |  |  |  |
|   | HIGHLY ORGANIC SOILS   |   |               | Pt   |   | Peat and other highly organic soils  |   |  |  |  |

\*Division of GM and SM groups into subdivisions of d and u for roads and airfields only. Subdivision is based on Atterberg limits; suffix d used when liquid limit is 28 or less and the PI is 6 or less, the suffix U used when liquid limit is greater than 28.

\*\*Borderline classification: Soils possessing characteristics of two groups are designated by combinations of group symbols. (For example GW-GC, well graded gravel-sand mixture with clay biner.)

# DRILL HOLE LOG

**BORING NO. 11-1**

**PROJECT:** PROVO CITY MUN. AIRPORT ATCT NEW EQUIP. BLDG. & RTR ANT. FOUND.

SHEET 1 OF 1

**CLIENT:** FAA NORTHWEST MOUNTAIN REGIONAL OFFICE

**PROJECT NUMBER:** 201101.017

**LOCATION:** SEE SITE PLAN

**DATE STARTED:** 4/22/11

**DRILLING METHOD:** 96-CME-55 / N.W. CASING

**DATE COMPLETED:** 4/22/11

**DRILLER:** T. KERN

**GROUND ELEVATION:** ~4496.0'

**DEPTH TO WATER - INITIAL:** ∇ 6.5'

**AFTER 24 HOURS:** ∇ N.M.

**LOGGED BY:** J. OLSEN, J. BOONE

| Elev.<br>(ft) | Depth<br>(ft) | Lithology | Sample |                   |               | Material Description  | Dry Density<br>(pcf) | Moisture<br>Content (%) | Atter.           |              | Gradation    |            |          | Other Tests |
|---------------|---------------|-----------|--------|-------------------|---------------|---|----------------------|-------------------------|------------------|--------------|--------------|------------|----------|-------------|
|               |               |           | Type   | Rec. (in)         | See<br>Legend |   |                      |                         | USCS<br>(AASHTO) | Liquid Limit | Plast. Index | Gravel (%) | Sand (%) |             |
| 4495          |               |           | 12     | 19,19,28,(99)     | GM            | dk. brown, moist, very dense<br>2" ASPHALT<br>SILTY GRAVEL W/SAND (fill)                            |                      |                         |                  |              |              |            |          | Chem.       |
|               |               |           | 3      | 8,6,4,(21)        | GC            | green-brown, very moist, loose<br>CLAYEY GRAVEL W/SAND (fill)                                       |                      |                         |                  |              |              |            |          |             |
| 4490          | 5             |           | 10     | Pushed 0.45       | MH            | black, moist, firm<br>ELASTIC SILT  | 69.7                 | 44.3                    | 63               | 31           |              |            |          | UC 1803 psf |
|               | 10            |           | 14     | Pushed 0.24       | CL-2          | black, very moist, soft   | 79.9                 | 42.1                    | 49               | 26           |              |            |          | UC 910 psf  |
| 4485          |               |           | 13     | 0/18", (0) 0.10   | CL            | dk. brown, very moist, very soft<br>LEAN CLAY W/SAND silt layers, shells, sand layers to 0.5" thick |                      |                         |                  |              |              |            |          |             |
| 4480          | 15            |           | 18     | 0/12", 2,(3) 0.20 | CL            | dk. brown, very moist, soft   |                      |                         |                  |              |              |            |          |             |
|               | 20            |           | 11     | Pushed 0.16       | CH            | gray, very moist, soft<br>FAT CLAY W/SAND shells  | 62.1                 | 73.3                    | 62               | 36           |              |            |          | UC 638 psf  |
| 4470          | 25            |           | 16     | 1,1,2,(4)         | SM            | gray, wet, very loose<br>SILTY SAND clay layers to 0.5" thick                                       |                      |                         |                  |              |              |            |          |             |
| 4465          | 30            |           | 15     | 6,8,11,(25)       | SM            | gray, wet, med. dense<br>SILTY SAND   |                      |                         |                  |              |              |            |          |             |
| 4460          | 35            |           | 15     | 5,7,10,(21)       | SM            | gray, wet, med. dense   |                      |                         |                  |              |              |            |          |             |
|               |               |           |        |                   |               | BOH   |                      |                         |                  |              |              |            |          |             |

## LEGEND:

DISTURBED SAMPLE

2,3,2,(6) ← Blow Count per 6"  
(N<sub>1</sub>)<sub>60</sub> Value  
0.45 ← Torvane (tsf)

UNDISTURBED SAMPLE

PUSHED 0.45 ← Torvane (tsf)

## OTHER TESTS

UC = Unconfined Compression  
CT = Consolidation  
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# DRILL HOLE LOG

**BORING NO. 11-2**

**PROJECT:** PROVO CITY MUN. AIRPORT ATCT NEW EQUIP. BLDG. & RTR ANT. FOUND.

SHEET 1 OF 1

**CLIENT:** FAA NORTHWEST MOUNTAIN REGIONAL OFFICE

**PROJECT NUMBER:** 201101.017

**LOCATION:** SEE SITE PLAN

**DATE STARTED:** 4/22/11

**DRILLING METHOD:** 96-CME-55 / N.W. CASING

**DATE COMPLETED:** 4/22/11

**DRILLER:** T. KERN

**GROUND ELEVATION:** ~4495.0'

**DEPTH TO WATER - INITIAL:** ∇ 6.0'

**AFTER 24 HOURS:** ∇ N.M.

**LOGGED BY:** J. OLSEN, J. BOONE

| Elev. (ft) | Depth (ft) | Lithology | Sample |                      | Material Description | Dry Density (pcf)                         | Moisture Content (%) | Atter.       |              | Gradation  |          | Other Tests |
|------------|------------|-----------|--------|----------------------|----------------------|---|----------------------|--------------|--------------|------------|----------|-------------|
|            |            |           | Type   | See Legend           |                      |   |                      | Liquid Limit | Plast. Index | Gravel (%) | Sand (%) |             |
|            |            |           | 13     | 7,8,20,(59)          | GC-GM                | brown, very moist, dense                  |                      |              |              |            |          |             |
|            |            |           |        |                      |                      | SILTY CLAYEY GRAVEL W/SAND (fill)         |                      |              |              |            |          |             |
|            |            |           | 9      | 9,7,6,(27)<br>0.80   | SM<br>CL             | black, moist<br>dk. brown, moist, stiff   |                      |              |              |            |          |             |
| 4490       | 5          |           | 17     | Pushed<br>0.12       | CL-1                 | brown, wet, soft                          |                      |              |              |            |          |             |
|            |            |           | 18     | 1,0,2,(4)<br>0.16    | CL<br>CL             | brown, wet, soft<br>brown, wet            | 36.1                 | 36           | 14           |            |          | Chem.       |
| 4485       | 10         |           | 16     | Pushed               | SM                   | brown, wet                                | 28.0                 |              | NP           | 0          | 79       | 21          |
|            |            |           | 11     | 2,1,2,(5)            | SM/ML                | brown, wet, loose                         |                      |              |              |            |          |             |
|            |            |           | 18     | 1,0/12", (0)<br>0.20 | SM/ML<br>MH          | brown, wet<br>dk. brown, very moist, soft |                      |              |              |            |          |             |
| 4480       | 15         |           | 18     | Pushed<br>0.35       | CH                   | gray, very moist, firm                    |                      |              |              |            |          |             |
|            |            |           |        |                      |                      | FAT CLAY W/SAND<br>organics, shells       |                      |              |              |            |          |             |
| 4475       | 20         |           | 18     | 0/18", (0)<br>0.30   | CH                   | gray, very moist, firm                    |                      |              |              |            |          |             |
| 4470       | 25         |           | 16     | Pushed               | SM                   | gray, wet                                 | 34.6                 |              | NP           | 0          | 75       | 25          |
|            |            |           | 14     | 0,2,4,(8)            | SM                   | gray, wet, loose                          |                      |              |              |            |          |             |
| 4465       | 30         |           | 13     | 6,12,15,(36)         | SM                   | gray, wet, dense                          |                      |              |              |            |          |             |
|            |            |           |        |                      |                      | BOH                                       |                      |              |              |            |          |             |

## LEGEND:

DISTURBED SAMPLE

2,3,2,(6) ← Blow Count per 6"  
(N<sub>1</sub>)<sub>60</sub> Value  
0.45 ← Torvane (tsf)

UNDISTURBED SAMPLE

PUSHED  
0.45 ← Torvane (tsf)

## OTHER TESTS

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# DRILL HOLE LOG

**BORING NO. 11-3**

**PROJECT:** PROVO CITY MUN. AIRPORT ATCT NEW EQUIP. BLDG. & RTR ANT. FOUND.

SHEET 1 OF 1

**CLIENT:** FAA NORTHWEST MOUNTAIN REGIONAL OFFICE

**PROJECT NUMBER:** 201101.017

**LOCATION:** SEE SITE PLAN

**DATE STARTED:** 4/22/11

**DRILLING METHOD:** 96-CME-55 / N.W. CASING

**DATE COMPLETED:** 4/22/11

**DRILLER:** T. KERN

**GROUND ELEVATION:** ~4497.5'

**DEPTH TO WATER - INITIAL:** ∇ 8.0'

**AFTER 24 HOURS:** ∇ N.M.

**LOGGED BY:** J. OLSEN, J. BOONE

| Elev.<br>(ft) | Depth<br>(ft) | Lithology | Sample |                  |               | Material Description            | Dry Density<br>(pcf) | Moisture<br>Content (%) | Atter.           |              | Gradation    |            |          | Other Tests    |
|---------------|---------------|-----------|--------|------------------|---------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|------------------|--------------|--------------|------------|----------|----------------|
|               |               |           | Type   | Rec. (in)        | See<br>Legend |                                 |                      |                         | USCS<br>(AASHTO) | Liquid Limit | Plast. Index | Gravel (%) | Sand (%) |                |
| 4495          | 5             |           | 10     | 6,9,8,(36)       | GC-GM         | brown, very moist, med. dense   | 90.1                 | 24.8                    | 35               | 14           |              |            |          |                |
|               |               |           | 12     | 13,24,22,(97)    | GC-GM         | brown, very moist, very dense   |                      |                         |                  |              |              |            |          |                |
| 4490          | 10            |           | 8      | Pushed 0.35      | CL-1          | dk. brown, moist, firm          | 74.8                 | 40.1                    | 48               | 22           |              |            |          | CT UC 973 psf  |
|               |               |           | 2      | Pushed           | CL            | dk. brown, wet                  |                      |                         |                  |              |              |            |          |                |
| 4485          | 15            |           | 15     | 1,2,2,(7) 0.22   | CL            | brown, very moist, soft         |                      |                         |                  |              |              |            |          |                |
|               |               |           | 18     | 0/12",1,(2) 0.15 | CL            | dk. brown, very moist, soft     |                      |                         |                  |              |              |            |          |                |
| 4480          | 20            |           | 18     | Pushed 0.25      | CL-2          | brown, very moist, soft to firm |                      |                         |                  |              |              |            |          | CT UC 1061 psf |
|               |               |           | 13     | 0,2,3,(8) 0.25   | CL            | gray, very moist, soft to firm  |                      |                         |                  |              |              |            |          |                |
| 4475          | 25            |           | 17     | 1,0,1,(1) 0.25   | SM            | dk. gray, wet, very loose       |                      |                         |                  |              |              |            |          |                |
|               |               |           |        |                  | CH            | gray, very moist to wet, firm   |                      |                         |                  |              |              |            |          |                |
| 4470          | 30            |           | 13     | Pushed 0.25      | CH            | gray, wet, soft                 | 63.8                 | 64.5                    | 67               | 40           |              |            |          | UC 1060 psf    |
|               |               |           |        |                  |               |                                 |                      |                         |                  |              |              |            |          |                |
| 4465          |               |           | 12     | 5,8,12,(26)      | SM            | gray, wet, med. dense           |                      |                         |                  |              |              |            |          |                |
|               |               |           |        |                  |               |                                 |                      |                         |                  |              |              |            |          |                |
|               |               |           |        |                  |               | BOH                             |                      |                         |                  |              |              |            |          |                |

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## LEGEND:

DISTURBED SAMPLE

2,3,2,(6) ← Blow Count per 6"  
0.45 ← (N<sub>1</sub>)<sub>60</sub> Value  
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UNDISTURBED SAMPLE

PUSHED 0.45 ← Torvane (tsf)

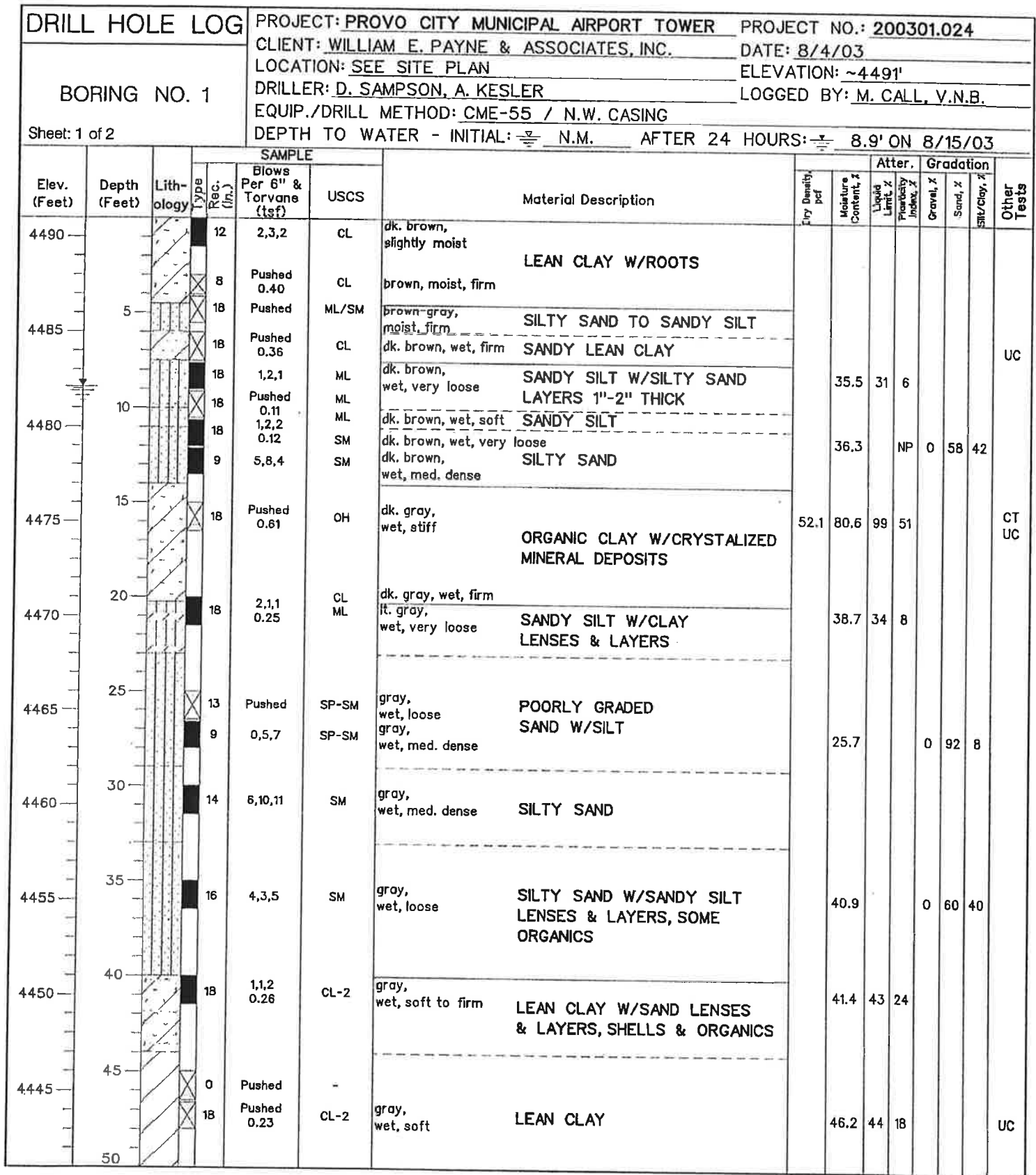
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# LEGEND

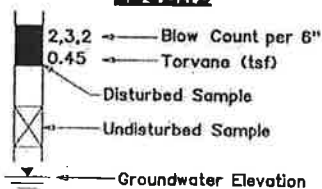


FIGURE 2



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UC - Unconfined Compression Test  
 CT - Consolidation Test  
 SG - Specific Gravity Test

# DRILL HOLE LOG

BORING NO. 1

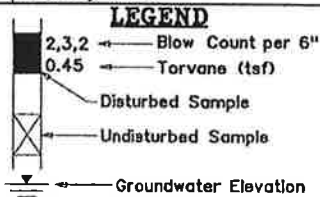
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PROJECT: PROVO CITY MUNICIPAL AIRPORT TOWER PROJECT NO.: 200301.024  
 CLIENT: WILLIAM E. PAYNE & ASSOCIATES, INC. DATE: 8/4/03 TO 8/5/03  
 LOCATION: SEE SITE PLAN ELEVATION: ~4491'  
 DRILLER: D. SAMPSON, A. KESLER LOGGED BY: M. CALL, V.N.B.  
 EQUIP./DRILL METHOD: CME-55 / N.W. CASING  
 DEPTH TO WATER - INITIAL:  $\frac{v}{v}$  N.M. AFTER 24 HOURS:  $\frac{v}{v}$  8.9' ON 8/15/03

| Elev.<br>(Feet) | Depth<br>(Feet) | Lithology | SAMPLE |               |                                       | USCS | Material Description   | Dry Density,<br>pcf | Moisture<br>Content, % | Atter.             |                        | Gradation |         | Other<br>Tests |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------|--------|---------------|---------------------------------------|------|--|---------------------|------------------------|--------------------|------------------------|-----------|---------|----------------|
|                 |                 |           | Type   | Rec.<br>(in.) | Blows<br>Per 6" &<br>Torvane<br>(tsf) |      |  |                     |                        | Liquid<br>Limit, % | Plasticity<br>Index, % | Gravel, % | Sand, % |                |
| 4440            |                 |           | 18     |               | 2,2,2<br>0.23                         | CL   | gray,<br>wet, soft<br><br>LEAN CLAY  |                     |                        |                    |                        |           |         |                |
| 4435            | 55              |           | 18     |               | Pushed<br>.014                        | CH   | gray,<br>wet, very soft<br><br>FAT CLAY  | 60.0                | 66.9                   | 64                 | 36                     |           |         | CT<br>UC       |
| 4430            | 60              |           | 18     |               | 2,3,3<br>0.15                         | CL   | gray,<br>wet, soft<br><br>LEAN CLAY  |                     |                        |                    |                        |           |         |                |
| 4425            | 65              |           | 18     |               | Pushed<br>0.36                        | CL-2 | gray,<br>wet, firm   |                     | 42.4                   | 48                 | 23                     |           |         | UC             |
| 4420            | 70              |           | 18     |               | 4,7,6<br>0.32                         | CL   | gray,<br>wet, firm<br><br>SANDY LEAN CLAY W/SAND<br>LENSES & LAYERS                    |                     |                        |                    |                        |           |         |                |
| 4415            | 75              |           | 12     |               | Pushed<br>0.25                        | CL-2 | gray,<br>moist to wet, soft,<br>2" sand lense<br><br>LEAN CLAY                         | 75.0                | 46.2                   | 47                 | 22                     |           |         | CT<br>UC       |
| 4410            | 80              |           | 18     |               | 3,4,3<br>0.29                         | CL   | gray,<br>moist to wet, soft<br><br>LEAN TO FAT CLAY W/SILTY<br>SAND LAYERS TO 1" THICK |                     |                        |                    |                        |           |         |                |
| 4405            | 85              |           | 18     |               | Pushed<br>0.40                        | CH   | dk & lt. gray,<br>moist to wet, firm   |                     | 53.7                   | 57                 | 32                     |           |         | UC             |
| 4400            | 90              |           | 18     |               | 5,9,13                                | SM   | dk gray,<br>wet, med. dense  |                     |                        |                    |                        |           |         |                |
| 4395            | 95              |           | 14     |               | 11,19,28                              | SM   | lt. gray-brown<br>wet, dense<br><br>VERY SILTY FINE SAND<br>W/SOME CLAY                |                     | 23.0                   | NP                 | 0                      | 54        | 46      | DS             |
| 4390            | 100             |           | 12     |               | 17,31,43                              | SM   | dk. gray<br>wet, very dense  |                     |                        |                    |                        |           |         |                |



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**FIGURE 2A**  
 DS - Direct Shear Test  
 UC - Unconfined Compression Test  
 CT - Consolidation Test  
 SG - Specific Gravity Test

### Table 1

## SUMMARY OF TEST DATA

## PROJECT LOCATION

Provo Airport ATCT Bldg.  
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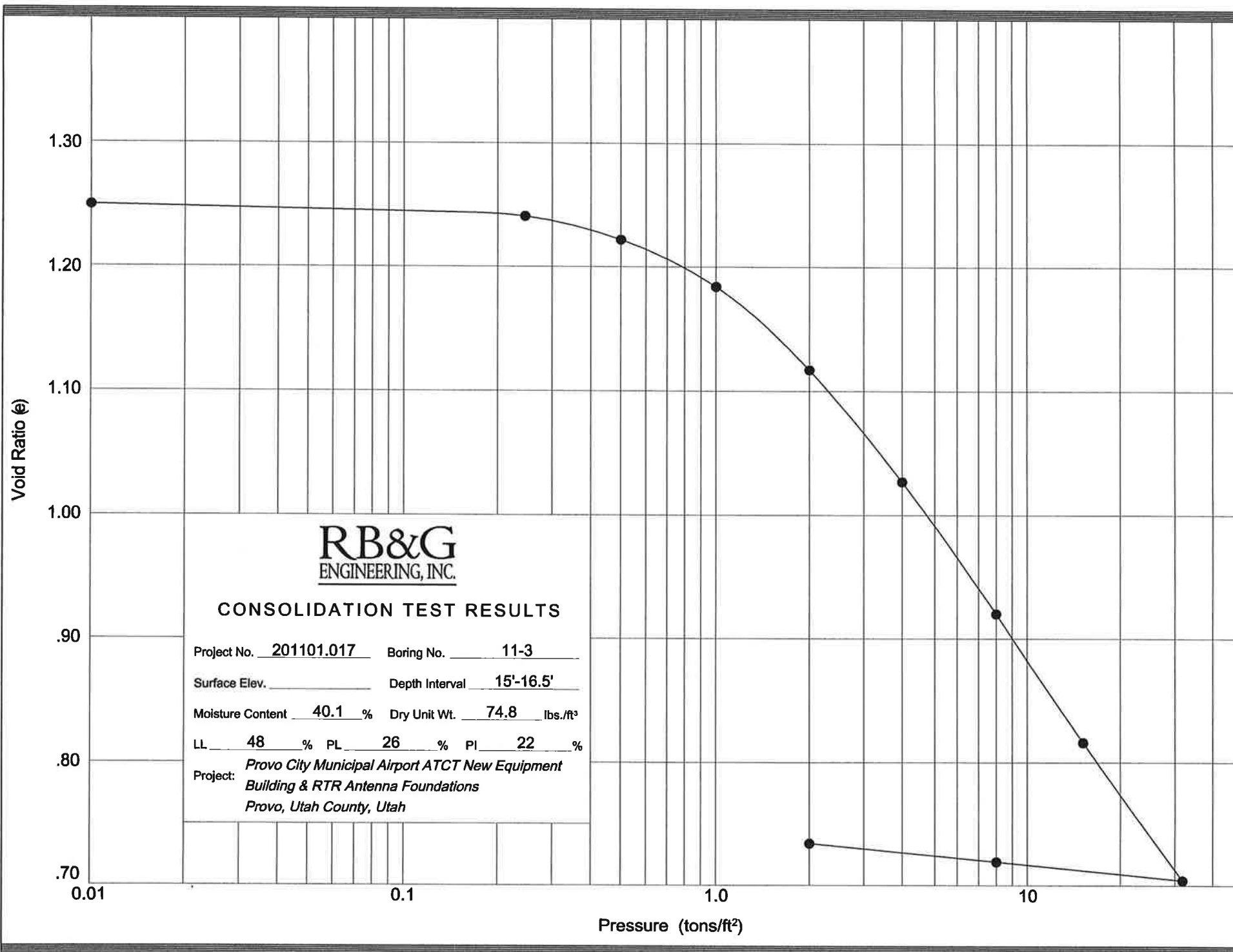
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| PROJECT NO. | 201101-017  |
| FEATURE     | Foundations |

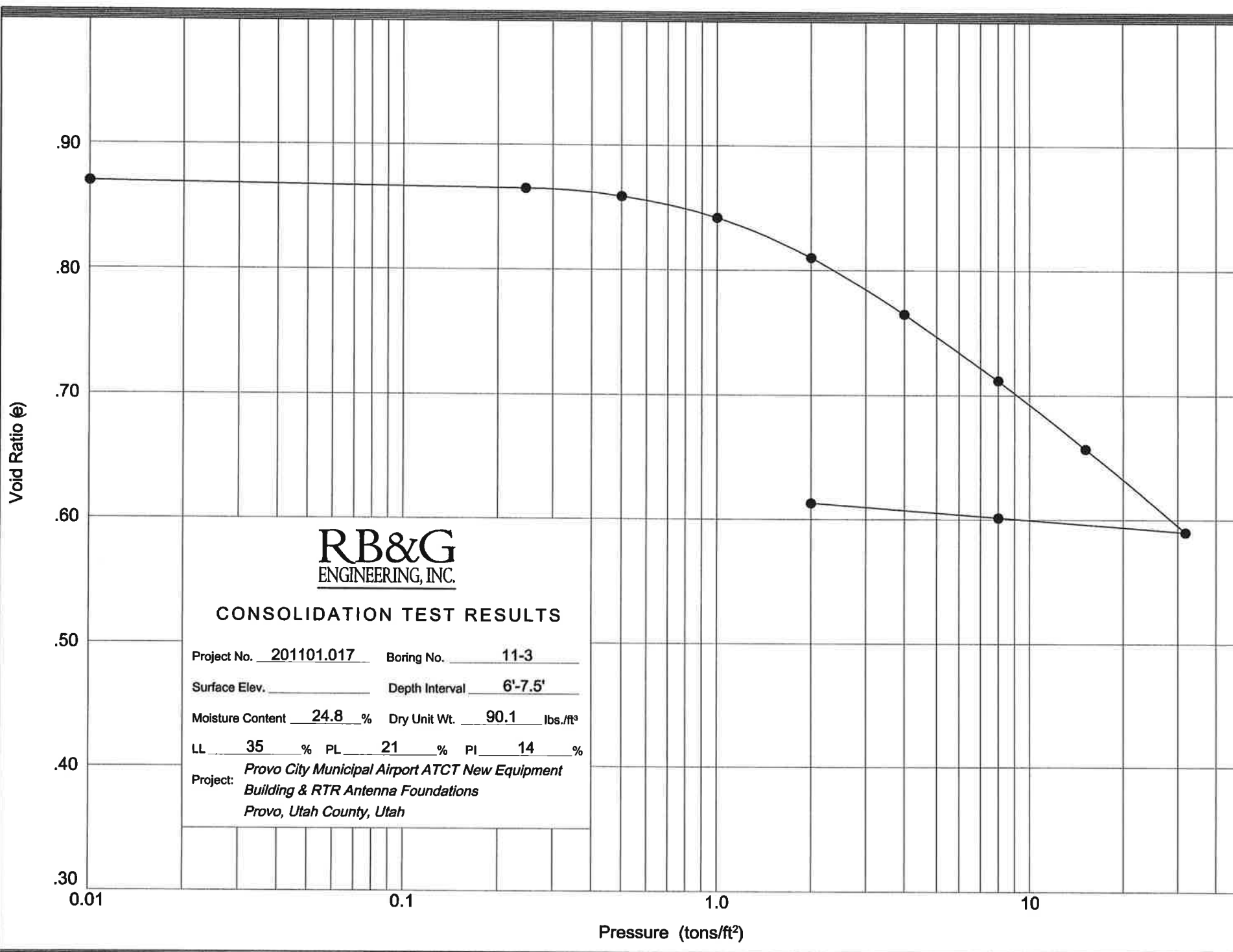
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\*Torvane value used to estimate unconfined compressive strength.

NP=Non-Plastic

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**CONSOLIDATION TEST RESULTS**

|                  |   |                |               |    |      |
|------------------|---|----------------|---------------|----|------|
| Project No.      | 201101.017  | Boring No.     | 11-3          |    |      |
| Surface Elev.    |   | Depth Interval | 6'-7.5'       |    |      |
| Moisture Content | 24.8 %  | Dry Unit Wt.   | 90.1 lbs./ft³ |    |      |
| LL               | 35 %  | PL             | 21 %          | PI | 14 % |
| Project:         | Provo City Municipal Airport ATCT New Equipment<br>Building & RTR Antenna Foundations<br>Provo, Utah County, Utah |                |               |    |      |

Pressure (tons/ft²)